Health and Human Rights: Call for Submissions

*Health and Human Rights*, a peer-reviewed open access journal under the editorship of Partners in Health co-founder Paul Farmer, is published semiannually, with new issues released in June and December. Selected papers in press are available prior to issue publication, thereby fast-tracking access to new research and enabling authors to cite their work.

*Health and Human Rights* will be publishing a special issue in December 2014, with selected papers appearing online starting in July 2014, to disseminate findings related to the course, Health Rights Litigation, sponsored by the Global School on the Enforcement of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (the Global School). Health Rights Litigation is an intensive, 5-day seminar course on strategic litigation in health rights. Through this course, academics, students and practitioners from around the world are trained and receive cutting-edge research related to the legal enforcement of health rights from a network of human rights scholars. The course was held at Harvard University September 16-20, 2013. For more information about the Global School’s Health Rights Litigation course, please see the website [http://fxb.harvard.edu/health-rights-of-women-and-children/](http://fxb.harvard.edu/health-rights-of-women-and-children/).

For this special issue, *Health and Human Rights* welcomes articles that explore issues related to health rights litigation. We are particularly interested in receiving articles from Global School Health Rights Litigation course participants that examine health rights litigation in view of the various topics explored in the course, including reproductive and sexual health; health rights issues arising in health care settings, abuses in institutional settings, palliative care; access to medicines and approaches to health care rationing; structuring remedies to facilitate democratic deliberation and broad participation; strategies with respect to implementation of collective and structural judgments; and factors to consider in assessing the equity impacts of judgments, which include but go beyond income, gender, and marginalized status and has left people with inadequate information to promote their own health rights, and undermined their power and means to manage risks to their health; and has left unchallenged gross inequities in the distribution of resources for health, including a lack of attention to vulnerable groups.

Original articles (research, commentary, and analysis) suitable for scholarly peer review are invited (3,500–7,000 words). In addition to research papers, we seek manuscripts that emerge from and reflect on practical efforts for the realization of social and economic rights (up to 7,000 words). The form and style of these pieces is flexible, but they should be of genuine relevance to people engaged in related work. All papers will be peer reviewed.

The editors also invite short letters, brief research or fieldwork summaries, and short opinion or perspective essays (up to 2,500 words) for publication as "Letters to the Editor." These might also include short case studies that present a strategic way that litigants influenced courts to take the right to health as part of the justiciable rights or explore how litigants overcame obstacles presented by pursuing Health Rights Litigation. These pieces might also be published separately on the *Health and Human Rights* blog at [http://www.hhropenforum.org/](http://www.hhropenforum.org/).


Please submit papers to hhrjournal@hsph.harvard.edu by December 15, 2013.